

# Menominee South Neighborhood Association

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**Vision:**

Menominee South is a walkable, socially and economically diverse neighborhood where the quality of life is rich for all ages. All people are welcomed and valued, and are encouraged to engage in open and effective communication and to participate in community activities. The neighborhood treasures its ample public spaces, unique historical buildings, and abundant natural resources, and is committed to creating and sustaining a healthy and safe environment for all.

**Mission:**

The Menominee South Neighborhood Association brings neighborhood residents together to get to know one another, create community and build upon existing assets, develop a collective voice to represent the desires of its membership, and collaborate with neighbors and other Oshkosh stakeholders to address issues and opportunities related to local quality of life.

**Neighborhood Boundaries:**

The Menominee South Neighborhood boundaries are:

Washington Avenue to the south (north side from Lake Winnebago to Bowen Street and north property line of north lots of Washington Avenue from Bowen Street to East Broad Street)

Irving Avenue to the north (both sides)

East Broad Street to the west

Lake Winnebago to the east

**Membership:**

All residents, property owners and businesses that lie within the above stated boundaries are eligible for membership in the Menominee South Neighborhood Association. Membership is on a voluntary basis and there are no dues or fees to belong.

**Fundraising:**

There are no fees or dues required for membership in the Menominee South Neighborhood Association. Donations and grants are accepted and fundraising is encouraged and monitored by the steering committee. All monies raised will be used to pursue the goals of the Menominee South Neighborhood Association.

**Leadership:**

The Menominee South Neighborhood Association is led by a steering committee consisting of an odd number of neighbors and of no less than five (5) participants and no greater than nine (9) who will volunteer on a one (1) year basis, to be extended if needed and have an interest to do so. Any neighborhood resident aged eighteen (18) years or older is eligible to be a member of the steering committee. Steering Committee members will be elected by verbal consent annually by those residents in attendance at the Menominee South Neighborhood Association's annual membership meeting. One Menominee South Neighborhood Association Steering Committee member will be designated as the lead point of contact for the City of Oshkosh and the

City Staff Liaison. Steering Committee members may be removed, through majority vote at a recognized neighborhood meeting, if the member is not working towards the best interest of the Menominee South Neighborhood Association.

**Committees:**

Membership participation is best served by joining a Committee that has been assigned responsibilities and authorities by the steering committee.

Committees shall be established by the steering committee as deemed necessary to pursue our stated Mission.

Membership on committees is open to all Association members.

Committees shall be responsible for the coordination of activities and programs, for research and review of issues and proposals, and for recommending actions to be taken by the steering committee in the area(s) of responsibility assigned to the committee.

Committee structure is informal to encourage member participation. Committees shall choose their own officers, schedule regular meetings, and report findings to the steering committee.

**Meetings:**

An annual membership meeting will be held each year in May. Other meetings may be called for organizing purposes. All Menominee South Neighborhood Association members are eligible to vote on all matters brought before the association. Decisions are to be made by consensus, whenever possible, with a majority vote necessary to pass. Decisions are to be made by those present.

**Changing of Bylaws:**

The accepted above bylaws may be changed only through majority vote at the Menominee South Neighborhood Association annual membership meeting or an open neighborhood meeting where the intent of the meeting has been clearly defined. The Steering Committee, with advisement from the Association may draft additional guides that are in the best interest of the Menominee South Neighborhood Association and will become guiding with a majority vote.

It is by consensus of those attending the meeting on September 22, 2014 at Bella Vista Senior Living Community on Hazel Street that these organizational governing rules are adopted.